cumstances which should be clearly explained while submitting a proposal.

(iii) *Anticipated income:–*

(a) *In normal areas:–*

The anticipated minimum revenue will be 33 1/3% of cost.

(b) *In hilly, tribal, desert and inaccessible areas:–*

The minimum anticipated income will be 15% of the cost.

Departmental sub post offices (Plan)

Since November, 1987, Departmental sub post offices are also sanctioned under the plan scheme subject to the following conditions:–

(i) The scheme covers departmental sub offices to be set up in project areas, new industrial estates/townships/settle colonies developed in the periphery of cities urban agglomerations and other similar developments which have come up in new areas in pursuance of the plan activities of State and Central Government departments agencies.

In other words, the concept of Postal sector plan to be enlarged to cover the postal infrastructure required for the overall National Plan.

(ii) The proposed sub office should have a minimum anticipated workload of 5 hours per day.

(iii) While departmental sub offices are expected to be financially self–supporting, in rural areas a loss up to Rupees 2400/- per annum is allowed (Rs. 4800/- in hilly/backward/tribal areas).

Departmental sub post offices (Non Plan)

Post offices in urban areas are opened subject to the following conditions:–

(i) Initially the post offices should be self–supporting but at the time of the first annual review it should show a 5% profit to be eligible fo further retention.

(ii) The minimum distance between two post offices is now raised to 1–5 kms. in cites with a population of 20 lakhs and above and 2 kms. in other urban areas.

(iii) No extra departmental post offices will be opened in the future in urban areas.

[*English*]

Telephone connections in Jaipur

1995. SHRI GIRIDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether development work and industry in Jaipur has been adversely affected due to the allotment of insufficient number of new telephone connections as per demand;

(b) if so, the number of new telephone connections Government propose to release by increasing the capacity of telephone network; and

(c) if so, the time by which the required action is likely to be taken?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c). In order to meet the increasing demand for reliable telephone services, the telephone system of

Jaipur has been undergoing rapid modernisation and expansion over the past few years. Under the draft Eighth Plan (1992–'97) it is proposed to contain the waiting period in the general category to two years in large systems, which include Jaipur, and to provide telephones practically on demand in rural and tribal areas.

Setting up of low Power T.V. Transmitter at Chittoor

1996. SHRI M.G. REDDY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had received any representation to set up a Low–Power T.V. transmitter at Chittoor in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the action taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) Representations have been received from time to time for the establishment of TV transmitters in the uncovered parts of Andhra Pradesh including the district of Chittoor.

(b) A low power (100W) TV transmitter is already functioning at Chittoor, the district headquarter town, providing satisfactory TV service within its coverage range. However, parts of Chittoor district do not get TV service due to intervening distance from this transmitter. The TV service in this district is expected to be considerably improved with the commissioning of a high power (10 KW) TV transmitter at Tirupati ans 2 low power TV transmitters one each at Kuppam and Madanapalli which are under various stages of implementation in Chittoor district.

Food Processing Industries

1997. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE:
SHRI GANGADHARA SANIPALLI:
SHRI B. DEVARAJAN:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of food processing industries set up so far, State–wise;

(b) the details of items being processed in these industries;

(c) whether the processed food is being exported or is for consumption in the country itself;

(d) whether there has been any beneficial effect of setting up of these food processing industries on the earning of farmers; and

(e) if so, the details of such industries proposed to be set up in each State during 1992?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b). While information in regard to number of all food processing industries and the detailed item of their production/processing are not maintained centrally in this Ministry information with regard to number of rice mills, roller flour mills, fruits and vegetable processing units and sweetened aerated water manufacturing units that are registered under FPO and fish processing units State–wise, are given in the Statement attached I to IV.

(c) Processed foods are both exported and consumed within the country.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) While this Ministry does not set up Food Processing Industries directly in any